Kenneth R Scott, Putting War Criminals in the Dock - Continuing Challenges, September 16th

Ken Scott (Harvard Law School cum laude) was an Assistant United States Attorney in Denver, Colorado from 1985 to 1997 and was Chief of the Complex Prosecutions Section. In 1998, Ken moved to The Hague where he was a senior prosecutor at the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia. Ken led large teams of talented international lawyers, investigators, military analysts, historians, language specialists, paralegals and others in successfully investigating and litigating cases involving thirteen major war criminals, including the top Croat and Bosnian Croat political and military leadership. He also served for many years on the Tribunal’s Committee on the Rules of Procedure and Evidence, helping shape the litigation process and evidentiary rules. Returning to Denver in 2011, Ken is the founder of Rights Consulting and Investigations and part of the Posner Center for International Development consulting on a wide range of international projects and lectures/conducts training in international humanitarian and criminal law, courts, and human rights enforcement. In March 2014, he was appointed the lead “Amicus Curiae Prosecutor” at the Special Tribunal for Lebanon concerning the investigation and prosecution of ancillary cases related to the February 2005 bomb assassination of former Lebanese Prime Minister Rafiq Hariri.

When: Tuesday, Sept 16, 2014
Where: Denver Country Club (1st & Gilpin)
Time: 6:00 - 9 p.m. (cocktails from 6:00 – 7:00 followed by dinner/speaker)

RSVP: Reservations to Polly Cox via pwcox@qwestoffice.net or call (303) 321-3231.
At its July 17th Board Meeting, the DCFR board approved a new set of Membership Levels that will both aid in fundraising and simplify providing financial support to DCFR for many members. DCFR has held the line on membership fees as the costs of hosting events have climbed while at the same time depending on the generosity of many members who pay their membership fee and add a contribution on top of that. The new structure is designed to appropriately recognize and reward those who are willing and able to provide additional financial support to DCFR while maintaining a reasonable entry point for all. The Membership Levels are:

**Member:** $375 per person, $625 per couple -- **PACKAGE:** Entry to all DCFR regular programs, discounted *Foreign Affairs* Subscription ($15).

**Ambassador:** $500 per person, $900 per couple -- **PACKAGE:** Entry to all DCFR events, 1 free guest a year (per membership, not per person) and one guest at potential member rate ($25) per year, *Foreign Affairs* at no extra cost (free).

**Minister** $800 per person, $1400 per couple -- **PACKAGE:** Entry to all DCFR events, 3 free guests a year (per membership) and one guest at potential member rate ($25) per year, *Foreign Affairs* at no extra cost (free), Priority seating at Speakers Table at DCFR dinner meetings.

**Word From the Board:**

When our Board of Directors began planning DCFR’s 75th anniversary celebration, it also decided that we needed to assess how well we were fulfilling our mission. Accordingly, we commissioned two separate reports designed to evaluate our strengths and weaknesses. Both agreed that we were performing an important function through our dinner meetings, research initiatives and various outreach programs that supported students at the high school and college levels as well as subsidized Associate Memberships for students and young professionals.

However, both also agreed that DCFR needed to enhance and expand its programs if we were to achieve our goals. Unfortunately, despite the generosity of many members who make additional contributions annually, our budget placed severe constraints on our ability to do so. Accordingly, they urged us to rationalize our financial structure and develop a fundraising plan.

The Board accepted these recommendations and has accepted the challenge. It is developing a specific plan, starting with the following new dues structure.

Joseph Szyliowicz
President
Global Colorado: Global Health

Global Colorado, DCFR’s ongoing examination of the interface of the global and the local will be taking on the question of global health in 2014-15. GC: Global Health will execute via the academic supervision of Dr. Sandy Johnson whose research centers on the interaction between environment, socio-economic development, policy and health with administrative support provided by DCFR Executive Director Lewis Griffith. The GC: Global Health Project will center on the generation of a White Paper by a select team of Korbel School students, which will make policy recommendations for the State of Colorado to address Global Health challenges today and in the next 5 to 10 years. As part of the research process, there will be a number of workshops, forums, and presenters, many of which will be open to DCFR members. In addition, the DCFR dinner speaker series in Spring of 2015 will intend to include one or more Global Health speakers. DCFR and the Korbel School. GC: Global Health will kick off in January of 2015 with completion and release of the White Paper in September, 2015. For more information or to participate, contact Lewis Griffith at Lew.is.Griffith@du.edu or 303-871-2550.

The 2014-15 Fall Schedule

The Fall half of the 2014-15 schedule has fallen into place and features world class experts on a fascinating array of topics. All events are currently scheduled for the Denver Country Club 6 to 9 pm.

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OCT 28: Col Brantly Saltzman, one of the USAF’s leading strategic thinkers and regular contributor to Strategic Studies Quarterly, will address the Future of the US Nuclear Arsenal.

DEC 2: Dr. Derrick Hudson of the Colorado School of Mines, where he heads up the MIPER Program, will discuss issues associated with resource extraction, economic development and conflict in the developing world.

NOV 4: Dr. Lindsay Heger of One Earth Future and a participant in the drafting of the 2015 Human Security Report will give us a practical sense of how to think of human security and how it is playing out in the developing world.
Founded in 1938 as a committee of the Council on Foreign Relations in New York, the Denver Council on Foreign Relations (DCFR) is incorporated as an independent, non-partisan, non-profit [(501(c)3] organization. Our mission is to conduct informed, non-partisan discussions on foreign policy among citizens, community leaders and policy makers; to heighten public awareness and expand understanding of contemporary and emerging international issues, locally and regionally; and to stimulate inputs to policy makers, based on research and related activities, that reflect perspectives developed in Denver and the Rocky Mountain region. We welcome participation via membership or, for those contemplating application, as a guest at any of our speaker events or collateral programs.

DCFR Membership

DCFR operates as a Member based organization with current members nominating new members for membership or new members submitting a request for membership of the DCFR Board via Membership Director Curtis Cook. Membership dues are $375 per person or $625 per couple. Dr. Cook can be reached for all forms of membership inquiries via ccook@coloradocollege.edu

On-Going & Upcoming Events

DCFR 75th Anniversary Time Capsule Requests

As part of the on-going recognition of DCFR’s 75th Anniversary, DCFR is building a time capsule of items and references from 2014 for deposit for the next 50 years. Items with of particular reference to Denver, the Rocky Mountain Region, or early 21st century American culture are encouraged but all submissions are welcome. To participate, contact DCFR Member Services via member.services@denvercfr.org or bring your items to a DCFR event.